

MEMORIALIZING RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KINGSTON,
NEW YORK, SUPPORTING SOLARIZE HUDSON VALLEY AND SOLARIZE KINGSTON CAMPAIGN

Sponsored By: Public Safety/General Government Committee
Aldermen Carey, Seche, Mills, Will, Brown

WHEREAS, renewable energy is a promising new technology for New York's households, businesses and communities; and

WHEREAS, solar panels and installation are becoming more affordable and widespread; and

WHEREAS, the "soft costs" such as customer acquisition and sales can be reduced by trusted brokers such as Community Based Organizations and local governments through public education; and

WHEREAS, the Solarize model for "soft cost" reduction has been highly successful in New England and is now being strongly supported in New York by NYSERDA; and

WHEREAS, Catskill Mountainkeeper and Sustainable Hudson Valley have been awarded funding from NYSERDA to roll out Renewable New York Southeast, a campaign of education combined with Solarize marketing partnerships; and

WHEREAS, this program is funded by NYSERDA at no cost to participating communities; and

WHEREAS, this program is a community focused renewable energy program promoting sustainable energy production to stabilize current and future energy costs; and

WHEREAS, this program will bring solar energy to residents and businesses at affordable costs through volumized pricing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kingston, through its Climate Action Plan and Climate Smart Communities Pledge have set the goal of reducing our carbon footprint and helping our residents save energy and money through innovative programs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KINGSTON, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

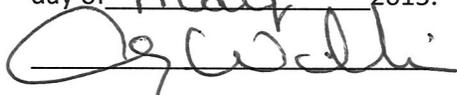
SECTION 1: that the City of Kingston endorses Solarize Hudson Valley and commits to participation through a Solarize Kingston campaign in Phase 1, scheduled for Spring 2015

SECTION 2: that the City of Kingston's primary responsibilities will be to assist with publicity and communication of the campaign's benefits

SECTION 3: that the City of Kingston designates Climate Smart Kingston as the primary collaborating organization to work with Renewable NY to meet the goals of Solarize Kingston, and designates Julie Noble as the primary coordinator/contact person

Submitted to the Mayor this 6th

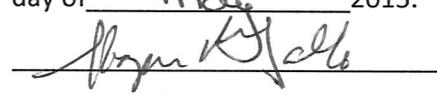
day of May 2015.



CARLY WILLIAMS, CITY CLERK

Approved by the Mayor this 8th

day of May 2015.



SHAYNE R. GALLO, MAYOR